

Synonyms and Antonyms

Learn!

Synonyms are words that have similar meanings: smart / intelligent

Antonyms are words that have opposite meanings: fat / thin

Work it out!

1 Classify the words in the box and add them to the chart.

small fat scary tall false intelligent strange quick
beautiful child dead clean strong hot dry dark
tired large freezing sad ugly slow small

	Synonyms
big	
cold	
pretty	
exhausted	
smart	
unusual	
menacing	
fast	
kid	

	Antonym
big	
weak	
short	
cold	
dirty	
happy	
thin	
wet	
pretty	
alive	
true	
light	
fast	
large	

Use!**1 Use the words from the chart to complete the sentences.**

- a. My cousin and I are very different. He is fat but I am _____. He is _____ but I am tall.
- b. In the winter the weather is _____. In the summer the sun shines and it is _____.
- c. The athlete exercises every day to be _____.
- d. My mother has _____ blond hair. Her sister's is _____ brown.
- e. The test had a lot of _____ and _____ questions.
- f. A basketball is _____ but a ping pong ball is _____.

2 Set a time limit and write as many pairs of antonyms or synonyms as you can. Then check who wrote the most pairs.